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Administrative Law Judge Edward S. Marion
Public Service Commission of Wisconsin
P.O. Box 7854
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Re: Request of Madison Gas and Electric Company for Intervention in Docket No. 137-CE-139: Application of American Transmission Company to Construct a New 138 kV Line from the North Madison Substation to the Huiskamp Substation in the Towns of Vienna and Westport and the Village of Waunakee in Dane County, WI

Dear Judge Marion:

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44 and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.21(1), Madison Gas and Electric Company (MGE), by its undersigned attorney, hereby requests intervention by right in this proceeding. MGE is a customer of the applicant American Transmission Company (ATC) and the owner of an electric distribution system interconnected to and served by ATC's electric transmission system. MGE customers would benefit from the improvements in the reliability of service that the transmission line proposed by ATC in this proceeding is designed to provide. The project would also have the effect of increasing the amount of electricity that can be imported into MGE's service territory, which should enable MGE to serve its customers more efficiently. Accordingly, the substantial interests of MGE and its customers are likely to be affected by the Commission's action on ATC's application in this proceeding.

In addition, MGE satisfies the requirements for permissive intervention set forth in Wis. Admin Code § PSC 2.21(2). The company's participation in the proceeding will help clarify the need for the project and thus will promote the proper disposition of the issues. MGE intends to be represented at the Prehearing Conference and will be bound by the schedule established at the conference, and so its participation in this proceeding will not impede its timely completion.

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A copy of this intervention request is being served on the parties to the proceeding.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Edwin J. Hughes", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Edwin J. Hughes

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cc: Service List